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REMARKS

In response to the Ex Parte Quayle Action, Claims 1-34, 47-67, 78, 84, 95 and 102-110

have been cancelled. Claims 100 and 101 were cancelled previously. No claims have been

amended or added. Presently, claims 35-46, 68-77, 79-83, 85-94, 96-99 and 111-118 are

allowed.

As suggested by the Examiner, on July 10, 2003, Applicants hand delivered to Tech

Center 1600 a copy of a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement and three

accompanying references which were originally filed with the USPTO on April 9, 2003 (prior to

the Ex Parte Quayle Action). Also included with the July 10, 2003 submission, were copies of

three references that Applicants had previously submitted to the USPTO (on March 20, 2003 and

September 20, 2000) but which the Examiner did not consider. Applicants look forward to

receiving returned forms PTO-1449, which indicate that each of the above-mentioned references

have been considered.

CONCLUSION

Applicants believe that all outstanding issues in this case have been resolved.

Nevertheless, if any undeveloped issues remain or if any issues require clarification, the

Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below in order

to expedite the resolution of such issues.

Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or

credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

Respectfully submitted,

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